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SUBJ: US VIEWS ON COFFEE NEGOTIATIONS

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1. IN ABSENCE OF AMBASSADOR, WHO IS ATTENDING CHIEFS OF MISSION MEETING IN YAMOUSSOUKRO, DCM AND ECON OFFICER CALLED ON MINAG SAWADO GO ON AUGUST 7 TO CONVEY US VIEWS AS SET FORTH IN REFTEL. AFTER REMARKING THAT US VIEWS AND THOSE OF THE GOIC WERE VERY SIMILAR, AND THAT WASHINGTON APPRECIATED SAWADO GO'S COMMENTS TO AMBASSADOR (AS REPORTED IN ABIDJAN 6393), DCM HANDED SAWADO GO AN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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AIDEMEMOIRE; A TRANSLATION OF PARAGRAPHS 4 THROUGH 6 OR REFTEL

WITH INTRODUCTORY REMARKS, INCLUDING STATEMENT THAT US HAS NO PLANS IN THE IMMEDIATE FUTURE TO COMMENT PUBLICLY ON BRAZILIAN FROST.

2. AFTER READING THE AIDE-MEMOIRE, SAWADOGO ASKED, RELATIVE TO PARAGRAPH 5 OF REFTTEL, IF USG HAD HEARD OF ANY PRODUCER NATION MAKING SUGGESTIONS OR TAKING ACTIONS TO EXPLOIT SITUATION. DCM REPLIED THAT THIS WAS NOT AT ALL THE CASE. STATEMENTS TO DATE, INCLUDING SAWADOGO'S HAD BEEN POSITIVE AND WELL RECEIVED IN WASHDC. DEPARTMENT'S VIEWS WERE GENERAL IN NATURE AND NOT ADDRESSED TO SPECIFIC COUNTRIES.

3. SAWADOGO TOLD DCM HE DID NOT INTEND TO GO TO BRZAIL. HE, TOO, UNDERSTANDS THAT THE BRAZILIAN INVITATION IS TO SURVEY DAMAGE CAUSED BY FROST AND NOT (REPEAT NOT) TO DISCUSS MARKETING QUESTIONS. THEREFORE, GOIC SENDING PERMREP TO ICO ACCOMPANIED BY SEVERAL OTHERS TO SURVEY DAMAGE.

4. SAWADOGO REITERATED HIS OWN VIEWS, SPECIFICALLY SAYING THAT HE WOULD NOT (REPEAT NOT) MAKE ANY PROPOSALS OR TAKE ANY ACTIONS TO EXPLOIT CURRENT SITUATION. IN ANSWER TO QUESTION, SAWADOGO SAID IVORY COAST WAS NOT WITHHOLDING ANY COFFEE FROM MARKET IN HOPE OF RAISING PRICES; THAT, IN FACT, IVORY COAST, WOULD BE EXPORTING IN FOURTH QUARTER AS MUCH COFFEE AS IT HAD EXPORTED IN FIRST THREE QUARTERS OF 1975.
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